Indian Health Service Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreements Program
A program to build the capacity of American Indian/Alaska Native Tribes/Tribal Organizations to plan, implement, and evaluate injury prevention interventions

http://www.ihs.gov/medicalprograms/injuryprevention/

2003–2005 Project Profile

Taking Back Our Community (TBOC) in Navajo Nation

TBOC coalition was formed in 2002 to address the escalating incidence of violence in southwest region of the Navajo Nation in Arizona. TBOC serves ten Navajo Nation Chapters with a population of over 13,000, 46% of whom are below the federal poverty level.

Injury Topics addressed by 2003-2005 Program *(in order of intensity)*:

Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention

Intimate Partner Violence Prevention

Violence Prevention

Injury Prevention Program Staff

Tina Samm
Tenure: 12/30/2004 – 10/1/2003
Training: IHS *Levels I-II* IP Courses, IHS Program Development Fellowship

Susie Wauneka
Tenure: 12/13/2004 – 9/30/2005
Training: Violence Prevention Course

Injury Prevention Program Collaborating Partners:

Local Schools ● Tribal and Chapter Officials ● Community Health Representatives ● Social Service Agencies ● Indian Health Service ● Law Enforcement Agency ● Navajo Christian Foundation

Key IP Program Successes/Accomplishments:

Program Activities

- Conducted community assessment to identify issues of concern
- Worked to reduce a domestic violence by creating and distributing 10,000 copies of domestic violence resource guide and putting up posters in clinic with domestic violence hotline number

Additional Funding/Support Obtained to Support IP

- Applied for and received Department of Justice Weed and Seed status

Presentations Given to Promote AI/AN Injury Prevention

- Child Abuse Prevention Conference.
- National Indian Child Welfare Association (Albuquerque, NM).
- Navajo County Interagency Council meeting.
- Leupp Chapter Workforce Development Program.
- Navajo National Council.